

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 4 and 6 in accordance with the following:

1. (currently amended) A mechanical connection comprising:

a sheet metal casing having a base part, first and second side walls and a rear wall such that when assembled, each side wall adjoins one side of the rear wall, each side wall having a top rear corner in a region displaced from the base part and adjacent to where the side wall joins the rear wall when assembled, the base part, the first and second side walls and the rear wall all being formed from a single sheet-metal part;

a cutout formed in each of the side walls in the region of the top rear corner, the cutouts being holes completely surrounded by sheet metal;

an angled section formed on the rear wall and extending across a top of the rear wall such that when assembled, the angled ~~extension~~ section extends from the first side wall to the second side wall;

hook-shaped extensions provided at sides of the angled section, ~~which the~~ hook-shaped extensions snap-snapping into the cutouts of the side walls when the rear wall is swung into position, and

wherein

the angled section extends out and away from the rear wall when assembled, and

the hook-shaped extensions extend out of said angled section and then extend back toward said rear wall.

2. (previously presented) The mechanical connection as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hook-shaped extensions are sloped such that the width increases from a front to a back of the hook-shaped extensions.

3. (previously presented) The mechanical connection as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hook-shaped extensions are formed integrally with the angled section.

4. (currently amended) A casing comprising:

a base, a pair of side walls and a rear wall all formed from a single sheet of sheet-metal, such that when assembled each side wall adjoins one side of the rear wall;

a slit-cutout formed in each of the side walls in a region where the side wall adjoins the rear wall, the cutouts being holes completely surrounded by sheet metal;

an angled portion formed on the rear wall such that when assembled, the angled portion extends across the rear wall to each of the side walls; and

a pair of hook-shaped extensions extending from the angled portion of the rear wall at positions corresponding to the slits-cutouts such that when assembled, each hook-shaped extension snaps into a slitcutout, wherein

the hook-shaped extensions are sloped such that the width increases from a front to a back of the hook-shaped extensions,

the angled portion extends out and away from the rear wall when assembled, and

the hook-shaped extensions extend out of said angled portion and then extend back toward said rear wall.

5. (previously presented) The mechanical connection as claimed in claim 1, wherein the angled section extends substantially parallel to the base part when assembled.

6. (currently amended) The casing as claimed in claim 4, wherein the angled portion extends substantially parallel to the base part when assembled.